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Re: KCBJ (AM), Minot, ND  
Facility Identification Number: 55681  
CC Licenses, L.L.C.  
Special Temporary Authority

Dear Mr. Langham:

This is in reference to the request filed August 10, 2011, on behalf of CC Licenses, L.L.C. ("CC"). CC requests special temporary authority ("STA") for operation of Station KCBJ pursuant to Section 73.1615<sup>1</sup>. In support of the request, CC states that it has completed construction of modified KCBJ facilities authorized by Construction Permit BP-20110513AAD, and that an application for license will be filed imminently.

Section 73.1615, which governs operation during modification of facilities, provides that AM licensees holding construction permits which involve directional facilities may discontinue operation, may operate with reduced power or with parameters at variance from licensed tolerances while maintaining monitor points within licensed limits, may operate in nondirectional mode during presently licensed hours of directional operation with power reduced to 25% of licensed directional power, may operate during daytime hours only in nondirectional mode with power reduced to 25% of construction permit directional power only as necessary to conduct nondirectional proof measurements, may operate during daytime hours with the substantially adjusted daytime or nighttime directional facilities authorized by the permit and with the power authorized by the permit only as necessary to take proof of performance measurements. Operating power shall be reduced to currently licensed levels when proof measurements are not being taken.

Our review indicates that operation with the substantially adjusted directional antenna patterns authorized by the permit is permissible. KCBJ may operate with the increased nighttime power level authorized by the permit only as necessary for final adjustments and the taking of field strength measurements; otherwise, nighttime nominal operating power shall be reduced to the currently licensed level. Operating parameters shall be maintained as specified in the request<sup>2</sup>.

Accordingly, the request for STA IS HEREBY GRANTED. Station KCBJ may operate with the

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<sup>1</sup> KCBJ is licensed for operation on 910 kHz with 5 kW daytime power and 1 kilowatt at night, employing different directional antenna patterns for day and night (DA-2-U). Construction Permit BP-20110513AAD authorizes relocation of the transmitter, a night power increase, and modification of both directional antenna patterns (DA-2-U).

<sup>2</sup> Operating parameters shall be maintained within  $\pm 5\%$  current ratios and  $\pm 3^\circ$  phase of the newly derived values, which shall be posted with the station license along with a copy of this letter.

substantially adjusted daytime and nighttime directional antenna patterns subject to the limitations described above. Operation with reduced power, if deemed necessary by the licensee, also is authorized. It will be necessary to further reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received. It is anticipated that an application for license to cover the permit will be filed in the near future. CC must use whatever means are necessary to protect workers and the public from exposure to radio frequency radiation in excess of the Commission's exposure guidelines. *See* 47 CFR § 1.1310.

This authority expires on **February 17, 2012**.

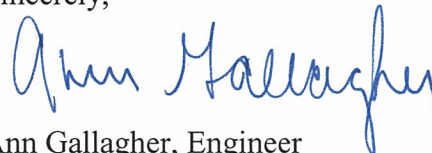
**STA Advisory:** Section 309(f) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, authorizes the Commission to grant STA in cases of "extraordinary circumstances requiring temporary authorizations in the public interest and when delay in the institution of the temporary operations would seriously prejudice the public interest." However, Section 309(f) is not a means by which a licensee/permittee may circumvent established processing procedures which require the filing of an application, nor is it a means by which a broadcaster may enhance his facility or make operation more convenient for the broadcaster. Stations operating with less than licensed facilities under temporary authorities can be viewed as receiving the benefit of a larger protection area than that in which they are currently providing service.

Accordingly, Special Temporary Authorities by nature are to be temporary and are not intended for extended use. Licensees of stations operating under temporary authorities are reminded that timely restoration of permanent facilities is the responsibility of the licensee and should be undertaken expeditiously. Any request for extension of special temporary authorities carries an increased burden with each subsequent request.

Therefore, requests for extension of STA will be granted only where the licensee can show that one or more of the following criteria have been met:

- Restoration of licensed facilities is complete and testing is underway;
- Substantial progress has been made during the most recent STA period toward restoration of licensed operation; or
- No progress has been made during the most recent STA period for reasons clearly beyond the licensee's control, and the licensee has taken all possible steps to expeditiously resolve the problem.

Sincerely,



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